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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have approved creation of a separate head in the budget for Defence Research and Development Organisation in view of the importance of research and development in the field of sophisticated arms capacity; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) Yes, Sir. A new budget head has been created for the Department of Defence Research and Development.

(b) The budget of Department of Defence Research and Development was earlier combined with that of Army under`Major Head 2076`. A new `Major Head 2080` has now been created for the Department of Defence Research and Development.The budget for the year 2003-2004 will be provided from the new Major Head. Related minor/sub heads have also been finalised to enable proper compilation of the expenditure incurred from the Grants under this head.